

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-5, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add claims 6–13 as follows:

LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS

Claims 1-5. (Canceled)

6. (New) A cordless blind, comprising:
 - an upper beam;
 - a body attached to an underside of the upper beam, wherein the body has a top and comprises foldable slats wherein one slat is a bottommost slat; and
 - a plurality of magnet components being equidistantly distributed from the bottommost slat upward to the top of the body and alignable when the body is in a folded position;with the proviso that the cordless blind has no pull cords or lift cords.
7. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the magnet components are elongated bars.
8. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the magnet components are elongated blocks equally spaced and transversely arranged on the body.
9. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the magnet components comprise metal magnets.
10. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the magnet components comprise rubber magnets.
11. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the plurality of magnet components secure the foldable slats in a folded, raised position.

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12. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, with the proviso that the cordless blind has no volute wheel.

13. (New) The cordless blind according to Claim 6, wherein the magnet components are fixed to the body by thermal melting.